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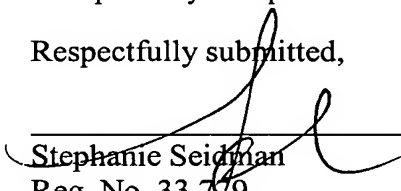
Dear Sir:

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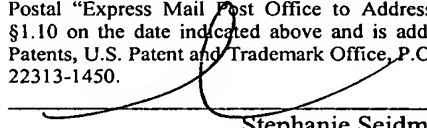
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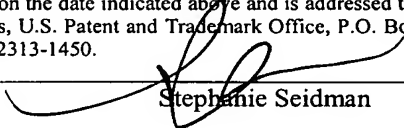
**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN**  
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Dear Sir:

Because this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the receipt of a First Office Action on the Merits for the above-captioned application, a fee for filing this statement should not be due. If, however, it is determined that a fee is due, any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all information known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) and copies of the cited documents are provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application.

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The documents cited on the Forms PTO-1449 are not in the English language. Items AB and AC (Japanese Patent Application Publications JP 02-195935 and JP 05-012351, respectively) are in the Japanese language and are supplied with Certified English translations (items AD and AE, respectively). Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, copies of a Japanese Preliminary Notice of Rejection (Document I), issued March 13, 2007, in connection with corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-134396; a Japanese Preliminary Notice of Rejection (Document II), issued April 10, 2007, in connection with corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-357564; and the Partial English Translations of the Official Actions are provided for consideration by the Examiner. Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2005-134396 and 2005-357564 are divisionals of Japanese Patent No. 3782792 (issued March 17, 2006), which is a divisional of Japanese Patent No. 3480940 (issued October 10, 2003). The table below lists Documents I-II and includes a column that provides a space next to each document to be considered, for the Examiner's initials.

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	I	Copy of Japanese Preliminary Notice of Rejection (and Partial English Translation), issued March 13, 2007, in connection with corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-134396
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Further to the list provided in the communication mailed on April 23, 2002, applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following pending U.S. and International Applications that have one or more common inventors and/or are commonly owned:

<b>U.S.S.N.</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>	<b>Publ. No.</b>	<b>Publ. Date</b>	<b>Docket No.</b>
10/877,122	06/25/2004	2004-0241752	12/02/2004	813E
11/219,216	09/02/2005	2006-0014302	01/19/2006	813F
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10/774,144	02/06/2004	2004-0266025	12/30/2004	826
11/193,857	07/29/2005	2006-0024725	02/02/2006	827
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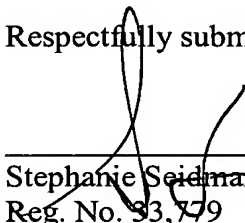
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	AD	Certified English Translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 02-195935, "Medical Information Processing System."
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